

House File 2500 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON REBUILD IOWA
AND DISASTER RECOVERY

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2174)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the purchase and sale of disaster-affected
- 2 property by local governments.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **29C.20B Sale of disaster-affected**
2 **property by local governments.**

3 If a city or county purchases property using federal
4 community development block grant moneys and such property is
5 located in an area that the governor has proclaimed a disaster
6 emergency or the president of the United States has declared
7 a major disaster and the city or county makes a determination
8 to sell the property, the city or county must first provide
9 adjacent residential property owners the opportunity to
10 purchase the property for fair market value, provided the
11 purchaser agrees to maintain the property as green space.

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EXPLANATION

13 This bill relates to the purchase and sale of
14 disaster-affected property by local governments.

15 The bill provides that if a city or county purchases property
16 using certain federal moneys and the property is located in
17 an area that the governor has proclaimed a disaster emergency
18 or the president of the United States has declared a major
19 disaster and the city or county makes a determination to sell
20 the property, the city or county must first provide adjacent
21 residential property owners the opportunity to purchase the
22 property under certain conditions.